

2026 OPRA GREAT PROVIDER SUMMIT SCHEDULE - PRE-CONFERENCE TRAINING DAY
WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2026

DAY & TIME

<p>Wed. 05/06 1:00pm - 3:00pm</p>	<p>Ready For It: Pre-Conference Training Leading Through Change: Using Appreciative Inquiry to Build What's Next - Molly McGuigan, Bellflower Street, LLC</p>
<p>Wed. 05/06 4:00pm - 5:00pm</p>	<p>Start Me Up: Exhibitor Showcase Welcome Reception</p>

2026 OPRA GREAT PROVIDER SUMMIT SCHEDULE - DAY 1

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026

DAY & TIME

Thurs. 05/07 9:00am - 9:20am						Opening & Welcome					
10 Min. Break (Transfer to Sessions)		Come Together: Executive Leadership		One Way or Another: Program Design & Innovation		Taking Care of Business: Business, Finance & Operations		We Are the Champions: Supervision & Workforce		I Won't Back Down: Advocacy & Innovation	
Thurs. 05/07 Breakout Sessions 9:30am - 10:30am		Session 1		Session 2		Session 3		Session 4		Session 5	
		Mission to Market		Tech-Enabled Independence: How Cross-Disciplinary Collaboration Is Reimagining DD Service Models		The ABCs of Management Services Organization for I/DD Providers - Formation and Lessons Learned		Seasonal Wellness in I/DD Services		The Soundtrack of Synergy	
		Jamie Steele OVRs		Ken Smith, NextGen AT; Lindsay Horne, Anne Grady Services & Emily Martinez, Station MD		Steve Colecchi, Hattie Larlham; Tim Neville, EHVI; Paul Marzec, OPMSO & Amanda Waesch, B.M.D., LLC.		Deb Maloy Tarrytown Expocare Pharmacy		Bethany Toledo-McCray, Lighthouse Cove & John Hannah, CRSI	
30 Min. Break		We Can Work It Out: Giv.		We Can Work It Out: Gladegy		We Can Work It Out: Smart Living Systems		We Can Work It Out: TrailBlaze Creative			
Thurs. 05/07 Breakout Sessions 11:00am - 12:00pm		Sponsored Session 1		Sponsored Session 2		Sponsored Session 3		Sponsored Session 4			
		Resilience on Purpose: Building Organizations That Outlast Uncertainty		Leadership Momentum: Protecting Your Mission Through Executive Continuity		Expect the Unexpected: How Creativity Makes Remote Support Thrive		Change is Inevitable. Chaos is Optional.			
		Danny Laneri & Alec Fowler Giv.		Stacy Sufka Gladegy Consulting		Hannah Eldridge, LADD, Inc. Jerome Kidd & Shawn Thorpe, Louisa Ridge		Tim Hindes & Erin Sogal TrailBlaze Creative			
Thurs. 05/07 11:00am - 12:00pm						Exhibitor Lunch					
Thurs. 05/07 12:00pm - 1:00pm						Attendee Lunch					
		Come Together: Executive Leadership		One Way or Another: Program Design & Innovation		Taking Care of Business: Business, Finance & Operations		We Are the Champions: Supervision & Workforce		I Won't Back Down: Advocacy & Innovation	
Thurs. 05/07 Breakout Sessions 1:00pm - 2:00pm		Session 6		Session 7		Session 8		Session 9		Session 10	
		Ohio's Policy and Business Landscape: What Leaders Need to Know Now		AI Meets IDD: Top Tools for Providers		The Rising Cost of Employee Medical Benefits - Unpacking Myths, Strategies that Work, Hope for the Future		The Training Revolution: Why DSP Training Determines Retention & Quality Care		Thriving as a Neurodivergent Professional: Unlocking Your Unique Potential	
		Rick Carfagna Ohio Chamber of Commerce		Patrick McKinney Kibu		Paul Nachtwey The Alera Group		Joel Carson RHA Dayton		Heather Janci SETWorks	
30 Min. Break		Come Together: Executive Leadership		One Way or Another: Program Design & Innovation		Taking Care of Business: Business, Finance & Operations		We Are the Champions: Supervision & Workforce		I Won't Back Down: Advocacy & Innovation	
Thurs. 05/07 Breakout Sessions 2:30pm - 3:30pm		Session 11		Session 12		Session 13		Session 14		Session 15	
		From Context to Strategy: Leading Organizations Through Change		Growing Community and Opportunity: The HELP Harvest Model		ICF Reimbursement Update & Benchmarking Trends		Avoiding The Ambiguity Abyss: The Vague Burn-Out		The Funding Future of Ohio's Medicaid Program	
		Stacy DiStefano Consulting for Human Services		Tami Honkala, Susan Berneike & Allison Briskey HELP Foundation		TJ Ely & Denise Leonard Plante Moran, PLLC		Sarah Davies Davies Advocacy and Consulting		Christine Touvelle OPRA	
Thurs. 05/07 5:30pm - 9:30pm						We Will Rock You!: OPRA Encore at the Rock Hall Event					

2026 OPRA GREAT PROVIDER SUMMIT SCHEDULE - DAY 2
FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2026

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Fri. 05/08 8:00am - 9:00am	Wake Me Up: Continental Breakfast
Fri. 05/08 9:00am - 10:00am	Session 16 - The Final Countdown: General Session Looking Ahead: State Leadership Perspectives for the Final Months of the DeWine Administration - Directors Panel (DODD, ODD & ODM)
Fri. 05/08 10:00am - 11:00am	Breakfast at Tiffany's: Attendee/Exhibitor Brunch
30 Min. Break	
Fri. 05/08 11:30am - 12:30pm	Session 17 - Who Are You: General Session Who Are We, Really? Clarity, Distinction, and Direction in a Changing System - Stacy DiStefano, Consulting for Human Services
15 Min. Break	
Fri. 05/08 12:45pm - 1:45pm	Session 18 - Let it Be: Closing Keynote Address Creating a Positive and Mindful Workplace Culture - Pandit Dasa, Work Mindful Corp.